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PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1992-1997*

MAJOR PROGRAMME I. MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND SECURITY, DISARMAMENT AND DECOLONIZATION

Programme 8. Peaceful uses of outer space

1. The preparation, format and content of the medium-term plan and its revisions are governed by the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (ST/SGB/PPBME Rules/1(1987)).

2. Regulation 3.11 provides, inter alia, that the medium-term plan shall be revised as necessary every two years to incorporate required programme changes and that the proposed revisions shall be as detailed as required to incorporate the programme implications of the resolutions and decisions adopted by the intergovernmental organs or international conferences since the adoption of the plan.

3. The revisions proposed below modify the relevant parts of the narrative of programme 8, Peaceful uses of outer space, of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, which was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 45/253 of 21 December 1990 and issued in document A/45/6/Rev.1. The revisions do not reflect a fundamental change in the mandate of the programme. They instead reflect organizational changes arising from the restructuring of the Secretariat.

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* After adoption by the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session, the complete revised medium-term plan will be issued in final printed form as Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 6 (A/47/6/Rev.1).

4. The following text modifies paragraphs 8.5, 8.6 and 8.12 of A/45/6/Rev.1.

5. It is proposed to replace the references to "Department of Political and Security Council Affairs" and "Outer Space Affairs Division" throughout the narrative of this programme with "Department of Political Affairs" (paras. 8.5, 8.6 and 8.12).

A. Programme

Paragraph 8.5	Replace the first sentence with the following: "The work of the Secretariat as it relates to outer space matters is carried out by the Department of Political Affairs, and by the Office of Legal Affairs."
Paragraph 8.6	In the second sentence, replace "Technical Cooperation for" with "Economic and Social".
Paragraph 8.12	Delete "the Outer Space Affairs Division of".